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SUBJ: SUB-COMMISSION ON PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION AND PROTECTION  
OF MINORITIES - AUG 23 - AGENDA ITEM 12: THE QUESTION OF  
THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF PERSONS SUBJECTED TO ANY FORM OF DETENTION  
OR IMPRISONMENT

1. DURING P.M. MEETING S-C EXPERT ERIK NETTEL (AUSTRIAL) INTRO-  
DUECED THE SUBJECT ITEM BY STATING THAT THE DRAFT BODY OF PRIN-  
CIPLES (DOC E/CN.4/SUB.2/395) WAS AN ENUMERATION OF PRINCIPLES  
COMPILED MAINLY FROM EXISTING UN DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE TOPIC.  
HE HAD NOT TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION THE REPLIES OF GOVERNMENTS  
(E/CN.4/SUB.2/393-394/ADD.3) NOR THE DRAFT BODY OF PRINCIPLES  
SUBMITTED BY NGO'S (E/CN.4/SUB.2/NGO/64) BECAUSE THESE MATERIALS  
HAD ARRIVED TOO LATE. THE BODY OF PRINCIPLES WAS BASED ON IDEA  
THAT RIGHTS OF ALL DETAINEES SHOULD BE PROTECTED INCLUDING  
THOSE DETAINED UNDER EMERGENCY PROCEEDINGS. THE PRINCIPLES ALSO  
TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE CONDUCT OF PUBLIC AUTHORITIES.

2. IN THE DEBATE CALCEDO PERDOMO QUESTIONED WHETHER ANY LEGAL  
OBLIGATIONS WOULD ARISE FROM SUCH A DOCUMENT AND EXPRESSED BELIEF  
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THAT PRINCIPLES WERE MORE SUITED TO DEVELOPED THAN DEVELOPING  
COUNTRIES. BOUHDIBA SAW NO SERIOUS OBSTACLE IN HAVING PRIN-  
CIPLES ADOPTED; THE PROBLEM WAS IN THEIR IMPLEMENTATION. IT  
WAS ALSO NOTED THAT NETTEL HAD REFERRED TO THE REPORT AS PRIN-  
CIPLES, NOT A CODE WITH DETAILED RULES, WHICH COULD MAKE ACCEP-  
TANCE BY GOVERNMENTS EAWIER. THE NGO'S HAD SOUGHT, ACCORDING  
TO NIALL MACDERMOT (INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION OF JURISTS), TO

DRAFT A SET OF PRINCIPLES UNIVERSALLY APPLICABLE TO ALL  
FORMS OF DETENTION OR IMPRISONMENT. NGO'S HE SAID WERE PAR-  
TICULARLY CONCERNED WITH PERSONS DETAINED AS MENTAL PATIENTS  
AND FELT THIS ISSUE SHOULD BE GIVEN CONSIDERATION.

3. THE SUB-COMMISSION WILL CONTINUE DEBATE ON THIS ITEM A.M.  
AUG 24. VANDEN HEUVEL

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